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September 24, 2001

BOX PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231



Re:

Application of Yukihiro KUSANO, Masato YOSHIKAWA and Yugo ZUIGYO

RUBBER-BASED COMPOSITE MATERIAL AND RUBBER ARTICLE

USING THE SAME

Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION

Our Ref. Q65935

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 15 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, one (1) sheet of drawing, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also filed herewith are an Information Disclosure Statement and a Form PTO-1449.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	7 - 2	20 =		X	\$18.00	=	\$.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	3 =		X	\$80.00	=	\$.00
Base Fee		_		-			\$710.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee							\$270.00
TOTAL FILING FEE							\$980.00
Recordation of Assignment							\$40.00
TOTAL FEE							\$1,020.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$980.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from September 26, 2000, based on Japanese Application No. 2000/291768. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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